tion pro phylaxis against nutritional anaemia, immunisation with Tetanus toxoid, Expansion of MTP (Medical Termination of Pregnancy) familities and supplementary nutrition under ICDS schemes.

Setting up of a third airline

334. SHRI CHITTA BASU:

SHRI RAMKRISHNA MAZUMDER:

SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA:

SHRI SURAJ PRASAD:

SHRI M. A. BABY:

SHRI RAMNARAYAN GOSWAMI:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to set up a third Airline in joint sector to run domestic services; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) There is no such proposal at present.

(b) Does not arise.

Import of tele-communcations equipment

335. SHRI BIR BHADRA PRATAP SINGH: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the import of telecommunications equipments in the remaining years of the Seventh Five Year Plan is likely to increase more than the previous years;

(b) if so, what are the projections for import in 1986-87, 1987-88, 1988-89 and 1989-90;

(c) what will be the break up of imports in each of the above periods in respect of telephone exchanges, long distance media, satellite systems, underground cables, testing instruments and other equipment, separately;

(d) what are the targets for imports in each of the 3 years in respect of new services like radio paging, cellular mobile radio, facsimile, and videotext, separately;

(e) what is the extent to which the Indian manufacturers will be able to meet the demand in respect of equipment mentioned in the parts (c) and (d) by 1989-90; and

(f) whether the Indian manufacturers will be given opportunity for supplies before resorting to imports and if not, what are the reasons thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI SANTOSH MOHAN DEV): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The estimated value for imports based on the presently approved outlay of Rs. 4010 crores is as follows:

S.No.	Year	*Likely* imports in crores of Rs. (FOB)
1	1986-87	150·00
2	1987-88	160·00
3	1988-89	200·00
4	1989-90	95·00

(c) The break-up of imports during the four years of the 7th Plan for different type of equipment is given in the enclosed statement. (*See* below).

(d) Equipment for extension of radio paging service in Delhi and introduction of Cellular mobile radio and radio paging service at Bombay is programmed for import during 1987-88 and 1988-89 Further expansion of existing services and Introduction of existing new services of other

places will depend on the availability of resources.

(e) Major part of the telecom. equipment requirement will be met from indigenous sources except for those items where indigenous capacity cannot be set-up during the Plan period.

(f) Imports are made only when indigenous capacity for a given type of equipment is inadequate or not available indigenously.

Statement

Proposed Import of Telecom. Equipment (in crores of rupees).

	1986-87	1987-88	1988-89	1989-90
1. Telephone Exchange Equipment	90	38	25	3
2. Long Distance Media	12	62	115	40
3. Satellite Systems	9	5	10	11
4. Underground Cables	26	31	24	..
5. Testing Instruments	8	3	4	2
6. Other Equipment	5	21	22	39

Eradication of Illiteracy in the Country

336. SHRI D.B. CHANDRE GOWDA:
SHRI HARVENDRA SINGH HANSPAL:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that illiteracy still persists in several parts of the country;

(b) whether Central Government have taken any steps to eradicate the illiteracy in the country during the last three years; and

(c) if so, what are the details of the guidelines issued in this regard by the Central Government to the State Governments?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI KRISHNA SAHI): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir.

(c) Government of India have accorded high priority to the Adult Education Programme which envisages removal of illiteracy in the age group of 15-35, by its inclusion in the Minimum Needs Programme and Twenty Point Programme since Sixth Plan. The State Governments and Union Territory Administrations have been advised to:—

(a) cover, on priority basis, all the districts having literacy rate below National average;

(b) ensure that at least 50 per cent of the learners enrolled in the Adult Education Centres are women, 30 per cent Scheduled Castes and 16 per cent Scheduled Tribes;